



## **City of Walla Walla and WA Department of Ecology Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review**

Notice of Application, Notice of Public Comment Period,  
and Notice of Public Hearing  
File # ZCA-23-0002; SEP-23-0003

The City of Walla Walla and the Washington State Department of Ecology are accepting comments on a periodic review of the city's shoreline master program (SMP) under RCW 90.58.080(4). The city has prepared draft SMP amendments to keep the SMP current with changes in state law and other changed local circumstances.

Public comments will be accepted from **February 2, 2023** to **March 6, 2023** at 5pm. Please send comments via email to Lisa Wasson-Seilo, Planner, City of Walla Walla at: [lwasson-seilo@wallawallawa.gov](mailto:lwasson-seilo@wallawallawa.gov). Comments sent to the City of Walla Walla will be forwarded to the Department of Ecology.

A joint local/ state public hearing by the City of Walla Walla Planning Commission is set for **Monday, March 6, 2023 at 6:30pm** at the City Hall Council Chambers located at 15 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave (corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave and Rose Street) in Walla Walla. Members of the public may also attend and participate in the hearing virtually by using this Zoom meeting link: <https://bit.ly/3WGx2Wi> or by calling 253-215-8782 and entering meeting ID 830 0777 9019.

Proposed amendments to the city shoreline master program and related application materials are available for review on the City of Walla Walla Public Notices website, linked below: <https://www.wallawallawa.gov/government/development-services/public-notice>.



Application materials can also be found and reviewed by scanning the QR code to the left or are available at the City of Walla Walla Development Services office, located at 55 E Moore Street, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

**A staff report and information packet with all submitted documents will be available the Monday before the public hearing on the City of Walla Walla Public Notices website.**

### **Project Summary:**

*The proposed Shoreline Master Program and zoning code amendments would change the review process for Shoreline Substantial Development Permits, in an effort to increase plan review efficiency and reduce review timelines and costs, while maintaining the same regulatory and environmental outcomes that the Shoreline Master Program aims to regulate and protect.*

The City of Walla Walla Development Services has determined that this proposal is unlikely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). We have reviewed the following: Submitted SEPA Checklist, dated January 23, 2023, and the existing environmental documents: Walla Walla Comprehensive Plan Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), issued May 22, 2018 and Walla Walla Comprehensive Plan - Walla Walla 2040, Ordinance 2018-15, adopted June 13, 2018. The relevant content of these documents is briefly described as an Environmental Impact Statement for the Walla Walla Comprehensive Plan which evaluates proposed actions, alternatives, and environmental impacts of activities allowed by the Walla Walla Comprehensive Plan & Environmental Impact Statement.

**The City of Walla Walla anticipates issuing a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) and a public notice of such with a public comment period will be issued separately.**

1. *Applicant:* City of Walla Walla Development Services Department, 55 E. Moore St., Walla Walla, WA 99362
2. *Application filing date:* January 23, 2023
3. *Date that application was determined to be substantially complete:* January 23, 2023
4. *Location of proposed action:* These proposed amendments would affect the process whereby non-exempt development within 200 feet of the Mill Creek shoreline would obtain a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit.

Interested persons and parties may also receive a copy of any decision(s) made on the proposal by filing a special notice request with the City of Walla Walla as provided in section 20.14.015 of the Walla Walla Municipal Code. Appeal rights are outlined in Chapter 20.38 of the Walla Walla Municipal Code and other code provisions referenced therein.

For any questions regarding this notice, please contact:

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